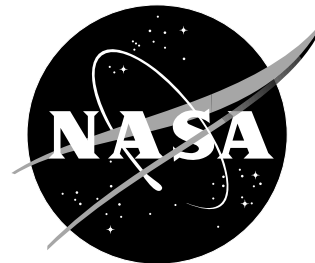


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NOTE TO EDITORS:

## **New NASA Administrator visits Langley Research Center Jan. 10**

Reporters are invited to meet the new NASA Administrator, Sean O'Keefe, when he visits NASA's Langley Research Center on Thursday, Jan. 10. O'Keefe will be available to speak with news media representatives from 10:55 to 11:15 during a break in a tour of NASA's Hampton, Va., facility.

**For more information or to make arrangements for credentials and an escort at NASA Langley, contact Chris Rink at 757-864-6786 or by e-mail at c.p.rink@larc.nasa.gov. Media will be met at the main gate at 10:30 and be escorted to the briefing site.**

O'Keefe was sworn in as NASA's 10th Administrator on Dec. 21, 2001, following his nomination by President George W. Bush on Nov. 14 and confirmation by the U.S. Senate on Dec. 20.

O'Keefe came to NASA from the Office of Management and Budget (OMB), where he had served as Deputy Director since March 2001.

Before joining OMB, he was the Louis A. Bantle Professor of Business and Government Policy, an endowed chair, at the Syracuse University Maxwell School of Citizenship and Public Affairs. He also served as the Director of National Security Studies, a partnership of Syracuse University and Johns Hopkins University for delivery of executive education programs for senior military and civilian Department of Defense managers. Appointed to these positions in 1996, he was previously Professor of Business Administration and Assistant to the Senior Vice President for Research and Dean of the Graduate School at the Pennsylvania State University.

Prior to appointment as the Secretary of the Navy in July 1992 by former President George Bush, he had served previously as Comptroller and Chief Financial Officer of the Department of Defense since 1989. Before joining Defense Secretary Dick Cheney's Pentagon management team in these capacities, he served on the United States Senate Committee on Appropriations staff for eight years, and was Staff Director of the Defense Appropriations Subcommittee. His public service began in 1978 upon selection as a Presidential Management Intern.

O'Keefe is a Fellow of the National Academy of Public Administration and has served as chair of an Academy panel on investigative practices. He was a Visiting Scholar at the Wolfson College of the University of Cambridge in the United Kingdom, a member of the Naval Postgraduate School's

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civil-military relations seminar team for emerging democracies and has conducted seminars for the Strategic Studies Group at Oxford University. He served on the national security panel to devise the 1988 Republican platform and was a member of the 1985 Kennedy School of Government program for national security executives at Harvard University.

In 1993, President Bush and Secretary Cheney presented him the Distinguished Public Service Award. He received the Department of the Navy's Public Service Award in December 2000. O'Keefe was the 1999 faculty recipient of the Syracuse University Chancellor's Award for Public Service. He is the author of several journal articles, contributing author of *Keeping the Edge: Managing Defense for the Future*, released in October 2000. In 1998, O'Keefe co-authored *The Defense Industry in the Post-Cold War Era: Corporate Strategies and Public Policy Perspectives*. He is also a member of the Bohemian Club of San Francisco.

O'Keefe earned his bachelor of arts degree in 1977 from Loyola University in New Orleans, Louisiana, and his master's degree in public administration in 1978 from Syracuse University's Maxwell School of Citizenship and Public Affairs. He and his wife, Laura, live in Ashburn, Va., with their children, Lindsey, Jonathan, and Kevin.